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SY CHANNEL FOR RSO FROM A/SY/PSI/I/PVB

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SUBJECT: KINGSTON, JAMAICA - 1977 - ALLEGED VISA
MALFEASANCE, COMPLAINT BY MUSSINGTON

1. MUSSINGTON IS THE SUBJECT OF AN SY INVESTIGATION OF
A LARGE PASSPORT FRAUD RING OPERATING IN NEW YORK CITY.
SHE HAS SECOND HAND INFORMATION THAT ONE CAN PURCHASE A
VISA AT KINGSTON BY GOING TO AN OFFICE WITH TWO AMERICANS
WORKING AT DESKS. THE APPLICANT IS TO GET IN THE LINE OF
THE "TALL AMERICAN WHO COULD HAVE BEEN WHITE, BUT MAY
BE BLACK, WITH A HEAVY DARK BEARD, IS WORKING." THE
APPLICANT IS TO SAY THAT HE/SHE IS HAVING DIFFICULTIES
OBTAINING A VISA AND THAT "CHRISTINA SENT HER". CHRISTINA
IS SUPPOSED TO BE A FSLE AT KINGSTON. THE AMERICAN TAKES
THE PASSPORT AND A PHONE NUMBER AT WHICH THE PERSON CAN
BE REACHED. THE AMERICAN THEN CALLS THE PERSON AND TELLS
THEM TO RETURN TO THE VISA OFFICE WITH A \$400.00, FOUR
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HUNDRED DOLLAR, BLANK MONEY ORDER. WHEN THE MONEY IS
PASSED, THE PASSPORT IS RETURNED WITH THE VISA IN IT.
SOURCE CONTINUES THAT NO APPLICATION IS REQUIRED. THREE
VISAS ARE SUPPOSED TO HAVE BEEN PURCHASED IN THIS MANNER
BY SOURCE'S FRIEND. SOURCE'S RELIABILITY IS QUESTIONABLE

AND NYFO IS TRYING TO SUBSTANTIATE THE ALLEGATION.

2. PLEASE REPLY BY IMMEDIATE TELEGRAM AND ADVISE PVB AS TO WHETHER OR NOT YOU CAN OBTAIN THE SERVICES OF AN UNDERCOVER JAMAICAN POLICE OFFICIAL WHO COULD ATTEMPT TO PURCHASE A VISA. IF THE ALLEGATION IS SUBSTANTIATED BY NYFO, THE MONEY WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE FROM WASHINGTON.

3. DECONTROL AT YOUR DISCRETION. VANCE

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